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**In re Application of:**  
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**For:** Reclosable Fasteners for Plastics Bags and Other Containers

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.192**

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the Decision of the Primary Examiner mailed **July 14, 2006** rejecting claims 1 and 5 of the above-identified patent application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

- ☒ Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.
- ☒ Please charge our Deposit Account No. 23-3050 in the amount of **\$250.00**.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050.

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